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MAGNETIC HEAD FOR PERPENDICULAR RECORDING AND MAGNETIC DISK STORAGE

RECORDING AND MAGNETIC DISK

APPARATUS MOUNTING THE HEAD

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

February 10, 2004

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above application as follows.